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## **Economic boost for Plymouth Township**

*AVL Powertrain receives assistance to expand*

**PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP**—Jim Epolito, CEO of Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), promised good news for the local economy when he appeared recently at the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Jobs Fund Forum hosted by Senator Bruce Patterson, 7<sup>th</sup> District. He delivered on his promise when he announced that AVL Powertrain Engineering (PEI) of Plymouth Township will receive a small-business tax credit of more \$3.5 million.

With this tax credit, PEI will expand its engineering technical center in Plymouth Township and add 125 high-tech jobs over the next five years.

“Again, this goes to show what we can accomplish for our hometowns and Michigan economy when we all work together,” said Patterson. “Good things are happening right here in our own backyards with the help of the Michigan Legislature, the MEDC and Plymouth Township.”

Patterson emphasized that the state is heading in the right direction by increasing high-tech employment, which is the future of Michigan’s economic turnaround.

PEI was considering out-of-state and international locations for its expansion. With the High Technology Employment Tax Credit PEI received from the MEDC, the company decided to stay in Plymouth Township.

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